

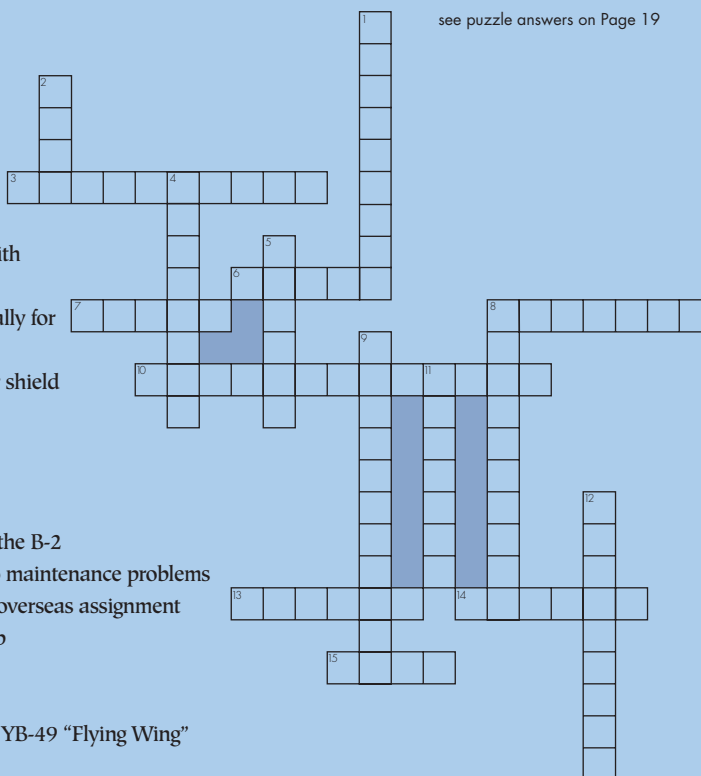
Across the Force

Across

3. Caused sigh of relief in Vietnam
6. Medal of Honor recipient who disappeared when the air-evac aircraft he was a patient on disappeared in the Atlantic
7. Curtiss JN-3
8. Began first successful around-the-world flight with Chicago, Boston and New Orleans
10. First United States decoration created specifically for award to citizens of other nations
13. Shield in center of WASP wings represents her shield
14. Silent weapon system of the 1940s
15. Keeping the Air Force "slim"

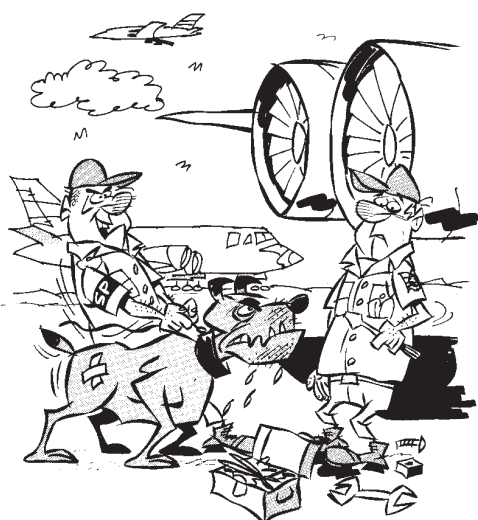
Down

1. Formerly classified aircraft that helped develop the B-2
2. Number of Thunderbird shows cancelled due to maintenance problems
4. Cut-rate car purchased from an airman leaving overseas assignment
5. Location of Orville & Wilbur Wright's Ohio shop
8. 4th number of an enlisted AFSC
9. Extra push
11. Base named after pilot killed during crash of a YB-49 "Flying Wing"
12. OSI focus



see puzzle answers on Page 19

The Best of "JAKE" SCHOFFER



"Wanna see something funny, Elrod?
Pretend you're a terrorist and attack me
with your screwdriver."

Back to Basic

Unscramble each of the clue words. Take the letters that appear in ☐ boxes and unscramble them for the final message.

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Clue: stripes to bars

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